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1 AN ACT Relating to an internship program for wounded combat
2 veterans; adding a new section to chapter 47.01 RCW; and making an
3 appropriation.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 47.01 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The department shall establish an internship program for returning
8 wounded combat veterans. The purpose of the program is to assist
9 returning wounded combat veterans by matching them with jobs within the
10 department that require their military skill sets and would be of
11 benefit to the department, or that would teach them new skills. The
12 jobs may include, but are not limited to, the following
13 classifications: Engineering; construction trades; logistics; and
14 project planning. The emphasis of the program should be to assist
15 veterans who served in southern or central Asia, Operation Enduring
16 Freedom; and the Persian Gulf, Operation Iraqi Freedom. Placement as
17 an apprentice under RCW 39.04.320 is encouraged and satisfies the
18 requirements of this section. The department may adopt rules under

1 chapter 34.05 RCW to implement the requirements of this section. For
2 the purposes of this section, "veteran" has the same meaning as in RCW
3 41.04.005.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The sum of two hundred fifty thousand
5 dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for
6 the biennium ending June 30, 2009, from the multimodal transportation
7 account to the department of transportation for the purposes of this
8 act.

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